## RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

## CABINET PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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## REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING

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### EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING DIRECTORATE PLANNED CAPITAL PROGRAMME (MINOR WORKS) 2014/15

## 1. <u>PURPOSE OF THE REPORT</u>

1.1 The purpose of the report is to provide members with details to approve the supplementary planned capital minor works programme for 2014/15, as part of the three year capital rolling programme approved by Council on the 26<sup>th</sup> March 2014.

## 2. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

2.1 It is recommended that Members approve the proposed schemes included in the capital minor works programme for 2014/15 as outlined in the report.

## 3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Members will be aware that an amount of £8.176M was allocated to the planned capital programme (minor works) for 2014/15, as agreed by Council on the 26<sup>th</sup> March 2014.
- 3.2 The continuation of the three-year rolling Capital Programme and sustaining the level of funding will continue to make significant enhancements to the quality of our premises, ensuring our schools and education establishments are 'fit for purpose' providing 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Environments.
- 3.3 In framing options for the planned capital works programme, the following factors have been taken into account:
  - The results of the Property Condition Surveys and further investigation works by Council surveyors and engineers

- ESTYN Inspection Reports
- Health and Safety and safeguarding considerations
- Compliance with the Equalities Act 2010
- Compliance with the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005
- 3.4 The programme has been divided into categories identifying the nature of the works considered to be a priority.

## 4. CATEGORIES WITHIN THE PROGRAMME

4.1 The table below sets out the proposed allocation of the planned capital programme funds now available to spend in 2014/15.

| SCHEME  | £M    |
|---|-------|
| Kitchen Refurbishments                            | 0.150 |
| Window & Door Replacements                        | 0.120 |
| Essential Works                                   | 0.620 |
| Electrical Rewiring                               | 0.110 |
| Fire Alarm Upgrades                               | 0.100 |
| Toilet Refurbishments                             | 0.350 |
| DDA Compliance Works E&LL                         | 0.225 |
| Boiler Replacement                                | 0.265 |
| Roof Renewal                                      | 0.930 |
| Asbestos Remediation Works                        | 4.925 |
| Improvements to Schools                           | 0.100 |
| Capitalisation of IT Hardware/Software & Licences | 0.281 |
| TOTAL   | 8.176 |

Appendices 1–9 set out programmes of work for each category, with the exception of Asbestos Remediation Works, Improvements to Schools and Capitalisation of IT Hardware/Software & Licences.

## 4.2 Kitchen Refurbishments/Remodelling

A rolling programme of replacement kitchens is required to maintain the current capital asset of school buildings and assist with much needed improvements, contributing towards the implementation of the Welsh Assembly Government 'Appetite for Life' initiative which includes schools free breakfast initiative. Appendix 1 provides Members with a list of identified schemes.

## 4.3 Window & Door Replacements

A rolling programme of replacement windows and doors is required to improve the energy efficiency and security of our buildings, reducing energy costs, safeguarding our pupils, and maintain the current capital asset of school buildings. Appendix 2 provides Members with a list of identified schemes.

## 4.4 Essential Works

Members will be aware of the amount and value of outstanding historical maintenance works required to the buildings in the Education & Lifelong Learning portfolio. Appendix 3 provides Members with a list of priority works, considered essential to maintain a 'safe, watertight and warm' environment for all users.

## 4.5 Electrical Rewiring

Appendix 4 provides Members with details of Education establishments that require urgent electrical rewiring in order to comply with current legislation.

## 4.6 Fire Alarm Upgrades

Appendix 5 provides Members with details of schools that require fire alarm upgrades from manual to automatic detection systems in order to comply with current legislation.

## 4.7 **Toilet Refurbishments**

Appendix 6 provides Members with details of schools that require urgent refurbishment to comply with The Education (School) Premises Regulations 1999, the Health & Safety at Work Act 1974 and to support the recommendations in the report 'Lifting the Lid on the Nation's School Toilets' produced by the Children's Commissioner for Wales.

## 4.8 DDA Compliance Works E&LL

An allocation of funding has been set aside to continue with works as and when deemed necessary to comply with prevailing legislation. Appendix 7 provides Members with a list of identified schemes.

## 4.9 **Boiler Replacement**

A significant number of systems are reaching the end of their useful life, therefore, it is considered prudent to fund a rolling programme of replacement to assist with the reduction in energy and carbon emissions. Appendix 8 provides Members with a list of identified schemes.

## 4.10 Roof Renewal

Again it is considered prudent to allocate funding to ensure a rolling programme is maintained. Appendix 9 provides Members with a list of identified schemes.

## 4.11 Asbestos Remediation Works

An allocation of funding has been earmarked to continue essential asbestos remediation works, following the results of recent asbestos surveys commissioned by the Council, and to progress a programme of replacement CLASP buildings affected by asbestos.

## 4.12 Improvements to Schools

Under accounting regulations, certain expenditure that was previously charged to the revenue budget is now shown in the Capital Programme, whilst still being funded from revenue.

## 4.13 Capitalisation of IT Hardware/Software & Licences

An allocation of funding has been committed for on going hardware, software and licences to support essential data systems such as SIMS (Schools Information Monitoring System).

## 5. <u>CONCLUSION</u>

The projects identified in the planned capital programme (minor works) can be committed now, and will have an immediate impact for the schools and their surrounding communities. In compiling the supplementary programme detailed consideration has been given to supporting a coherent plan of investment in our buildings that continue to demonstrate significant improvements ensuring our schools and education establishments are' fit for purpose' and continue to modernise our school building portfolio providing a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Teaching and Learning Environment.

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## PROPOSED PLANNED MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME (MINOR WORKS): 2014/15

Appendix 1

## Kitchen Refurbishments/Remodelling

Budget

£150,000

| Property        | Project                            | Estimated<br>Cost (£) |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Various Schools | Upgrade Current Kitchen Facilities | 150,000               |
|                 | Total                              | 150,000               |
|                 |                                    |                       |

Window & Door Replacements

Budget

£120,000

| Property                          | Project                                  | Estimated<br>Cost (£) |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Ton Pentre Infants School         | Replacement Windows & Soffits            | 15,000                |
| Parc Primary School               | Replacement Windows & Doors              | 20,000                |
| YGG Pont Sion Norton              | Replacement External Doors               | 10,000                |
| Mountain Ash Comprehensive School | Replacement External Doors               | 17,000                |
| Heol y Celyn Primary School       | Replacement External Doors               | 10,000                |
| Llwynypia Primary School          | Replacement External Doors               | 8,000                 |
| YG Y Cymer                        | Replacement Windows & Doors - Arts Block | 25,000                |
| YGG Abercynon                     | Replacement Windows Phase 2              | 15,000                |
|                                   | Total                                    | 120,000               |
|                                   |  |                       |

Appendix 2

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#### PROPOSED PLANNED MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME (MINOR WORKS): 2014/15

Appendix 3

#### Essential Works

#### **Budget**

£620,000

| Property                      | Project   | Estimated Cost<br>(£) |
|-------------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Y Pant Comprehensive School   | Ground Works for Double Mobile  | 100,000               |
| Treorchy Comprehensive School | Ground Works for Single Mobile  | 65,000                |
| Parc Primary School           | Essential Repairs to Boundary Wall                                    | 16,000                |
| Penyrenglyn Primary School    | Improvement works to External Foundation Play Area                    | 30,000                |
| Penywaun Primary School       | Remove redundant dilapidated chimney stack                            | 25,000                |
| Miskin Primary School         | Improvements to Foundation Phase Classrooms                           | 15,000                |
| Trerobart Primary School      | External Improvements to Play Area for Teaching & Foundation Phase    | 208,000               |
| Tonysguboriau Primary School  | Internal Classroom Modifications                                      | 61,000                |
| Cymmer Infants School         | Remodelling foundation phase classrooms, removing an external         | 100,000               |
|                               | dilapidated building to improve the teaching and learning environment |                       |
|                               | Total   | 620,000               |
|                               |   |                       |

Appendix 4

## **Electrical Rewiring**

## Budget

### £110,000

| Property            | Project                                       | Estimated<br>Cost (£) |
|---------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Ty Gwyn SEC         | Emergency Lighting Upgrade                    | 5,500                 |
| Parc Primary School | Emergency Lighting Upgrade                    | 6,500                 |
| Penygraig Infants   | Upgrade Electrics                             | 6,000                 |
| Various             | Repairs following Electrical Periodic Testing | 92,000                |
|                     | Total   | 110,000               |

Appendix 5

#### Fire Alarm Upgrades

#### Budget

£100,000

| Property                                | Project                                 | Estimated<br>Cost (£) |
|---|---|-----------------------|
| Tonyrefail Primary School               | Upgrade Fire Alarm                      | 12,500                |
| Coedylan Primary School                 | Upgrade Fire Alarm & Emergency Lighting | 12,000                |
| Pontypridd High School                  | Upgrade Fire Alarm - Phase 2            | 10,000                |
| Cardinal Newman RC Comprehensive School | Upgrade Fire Alarm                      | 30,000                |
| Ynsycynon Early Years Centre            | Upgrade Fire Alarm & Emergency Lighting | 9,500                 |
| Various                                 | Improvements following FRA Reports      | 26,000                |
|   | Total                                   | 100,000               |
| Various                                 |   |                       |

Appendix 6

## **Toilet Refurbishments**

## Budget

£350,000.0

| Property                          | Project                                      | Estimated<br>Cost (£) |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Penygawsi Primary School          | Toilet Refurbishment                         | 30,000                |
| Llanhari Primary School           | Toilet Refurbishment - Junior Block          | 50,000                |
| YGG Bronllwyn                     | Toilet Refurbishment - Infants & Junior Boys | 100,000               |
| Maesycoed Primary School          | Toilet Refurbishment - Junior Girls          | 40,000                |
| Craig yr Hesg Primary School      | New toilet cubicles - Junior Girls           | 5,000                 |
| Cefn Primary School               | Toilet Refurbishment - Phase 2               | 45,000                |
| YGG Abercynon                     | Toilet Refurbishment - Junior Boys           | 35,000                |
| Mountain Ash Comprehensive School | Phase 2 Toilet Refurbishment                 | 45,000                |
|                                   | Total  | 350,000               |
|                                   |  |                       |

DDA Compliance Works

Budget

£225,000

| Property                              | Project                             | Estimated<br>Cost (£) |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Maesgwyn Special School               | Works to create new Disabled Toilet | 25,000                |
| Ysgol Ty Coch Satellite Autistic Unit | Creation of Therapy Rooms           | 50,000                |
| Various                               | Equalities Act Compliance Works     | 150,000               |
|                                       | Total                               | 225,000               |

Appendix 7

Appendix 8

#### Boiler Replacement

Budget

£265,000

| Property                      | Project                                     | Estimated  |
|-------------------------------|---|------------|
|                               |   | Cost (£)   |
| Caegarw Primary (School)      | Replace heating boilers                     | 7,000      |
| Cwmdar Primary School         | Replace heating boiler                      | 25,000     |
| Glynhafod Primary School      | Replace heating boilers                     | 20,000     |
| Hawthorn Comprehensive School | Replace heating boiler in Music Block       | 20,000     |
| Heol Y Celyn Primary School   | Replace heating boilers                     | 14,000     |
| Our Lady's RC Primary School  | Replace Gas fired radiant heating in hall   | 10,000     |
| Pontypridd Library            | Replace heating boiler                      | 7,500      |
| Porth County Community School | Replace boiler swimming pool changing rooms | 15,500     |
| Tonypandy Primary School      | Replace heating boilers                     | 34,000     |
| Y Pant Comprehensive School   | Upgrade Boilerplant                         | 15,000     |
| YGG Evan James                | Replace heating boiler                      | 25,000     |
| YGG Tonyrefail                | Replace heating boiler and gas pipe size    | 19,000     |
| Various                       | Emergency Boiler Replacement                | 53,000     |
|                               | Tot   | al 265,000 |

Roof Renewal

Budget

£930,000

| Property                          | Project  | Estimated Cost<br>(£) |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Trealaw Primary School            | Replacement Guttering & Fascias                  | 20,000                |
| Heol Y Celyn Primary School       | Replacement Roof - Phase 3                       | 50,000                |
| Cwmclydach Primary School         | Replacement Flat Roof                            | 20,000                |
| Bryncelynnog Comprehensive School | Replacement Roof Phase 3                         | 252,000               |
| Mountain Ash Comprehensive School | Replacement Flat Roof                            | 120,000               |
| Treorchy Primary School           | New Roof to Junior Block & essential re-pointing | 200,000               |
| Llanhari Primary School           | Replacement roof over Corridor                   | 28,000                |
| Darran Park Primary School        | Roof Replacement - Phase 2                       | 40,000                |
| Treorchy Comprehensive School     | Roof Replacement Block 10 - Phase 2              | 70,000                |
| Tonyrefail School                 | Replacement Cavity Trays - Tower Block           | 20,000                |
| Dolau Primary School              | Replacement Flat Roof                            | 50,000                |
| Darrenlas Primary School          | Replacement Valleys to Roof                      | 30,000                |
| Llwynypia Primary School          | Replacement Roof Phase 1                         | 30,000                |
|                                   | Total  | 930,000               |
|                                   |  |                       |

Appendix 9

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